Dear Steff and Danielle,

As you are aware, the University Council on Teacher Education bylaws (http://www.ucte.udel.edu/wp-content/uploads/2011/12/UCTE-Bylaws_050916.pdf) require that UCTE makes a recommendation to the Faculty Senate regarding the approval of new or revised program proposals:

**Article V, Section 4: The Council shall review all proposals for new or revised programs in professional education before their submission to the Faculty Senate. As a result of its review, the Council shall recommend to the Senate as to whether the proposals for revision or for new programs reflect State and national standards and merit approval or disapproval at the Senate level.**

UCTE reviewed the proposals below, and at our November 16, 2018 meeting, voted unanimously to recommend them to the Faculty Senate for approval:

- ETE Major Requirements
- Elementary Teacher Education - Middle School English Concentration (BSEd)
- Race, Culture and Equity in Education Minor
- Exceptional Children and Youth - Secondary Special Education - 4+1 SEC (BSEd/MEd)

Note that UCTE members offered collegial suggestions for the Program Revision Proposal for M.Ed. Exceptional Children and Youth Program. The suggestions are indicated in the attached document by the tracked changes and comment on pages 11 and 12.

Additionally, for Program Revision Proposals for the ETE Major Requirements and the Elementary Teacher Education – Middle School English Concentration (BSEd), UCTE recommends that ETE faculty review the following sections to confirm that they accurately reflect School of Education policy. As stated, the policies regarding Praxis Subject Assessments and edTPA are stricter than UCTE policies on Assessments (see http://www.ucte.udel.edu/policies/).

**Praxis Subject Assessments and EdTPA for Certification**

Students must take the Praxis Subject Assessments (previously Praxis II tests) that are required for State of Delaware teacher certification in elementary education and in the area of their concentration (e.g., special education) prior to graduation. Students must also complete the edTPA for elementary education. Students must pass these assessments before they can apply for Delaware teacher certification.
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To meet certification requirements, students should check state requirements for passing scores.

[From the Program Revision Proposal for Elementary Teacher Education – Middle School English Concentration (BSEd):]

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Students must also complete the edTPA for elementary education and their second concentration area and submit one of these performance assessments for scoring to be certified in Delaware and in several other states. To meet certification requirements, students should check state requirements for passing scores.

This email provides documentation for the UCTE recommendation. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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